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E. SCHWEBLIN, Agent, Hongkong. Hongkong, April 12, 1881.

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GEO. O. SCOTT, Acting Manager. Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

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T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, April 19, 1881.

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THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Focchow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE. WE have authorized Mr. LEOPOLD FLEMMING to Sign our Firm at Focchow, per Procuration, from this date. SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, May 10, 1881. je10

NOTICE. MR. HERMANN OTTE has been authorized to Sign our Firm per Procuration. POSTAU & Co. Hongkong, May 18, 1881. je18

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions from H.M. NAVAL STOREKEEPER to Sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 27th May, 1881, at Noon, at H. M. Naval Yard,—

SUNDRY CONDEMNED NAVAL, VICTUALLING & MEDICAL STORES, comprising:—

Old Iron, Hoses, Glass, Crockery, GREY CLOTH, FLANNEL SHIRTS, STOCKINGS, LINUM VITAE, MEDICAL STORES, IMPLEMENTS, PRESERVES, &c.

TERMS.—As customary. J. M. ARMSTRONG, Government Auctioneer. Hongkong, May 20, 1881. my27

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 1st June, 1881, at 2.30 o'clock p.m., at the Premises,—

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J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer, Queen's Road, Hongkong. Hongkong, May 20, 1881. je1

For Sale.

Ninth Volume of the "CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready. No. 5.—Vol. IX.

—OF THE—"CHINA REVIEW"—

CONTAINS—

A Short Journey in Sz Ch'uan. Notices of Eminent Statesmen of the Present Dynasty.

The Principles of Nature. The Rhythms of the Shih-king. Cantonese Superstitions about Infants. Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Notes and Queries:—Dr. Hance's Botanical Notices. Botanical Notes. "Finger" Numeral. The Feast of Lanterns at Padang. Sinologues and Chinese History. The Chinese Character "Seven." Catholic Missionaries in the East. A Chinese Ode Paraphrased. Flogging of Criminals. A German Dictionary. Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c. Hongkong, May 21, 1881.

JUST ARRIVED AND FOR SALE. STRICK FEATHERS. RUSTOMJEE SORABJEE, No. 4, Graham Street. Hongkong, May 18, 1881. my29

ZOEDONE MAY be Had at ALL THE EUROPEAN STORES, and at the NAM HING LOONG, and TY SING Native Stores.

Price,\$2.25 & dozen Pint. JOHN D. HUTCHISON, Agent for Hongkong. Hongkong, May 19, 1881. je10

FOR SALE. GENUINE PORT WINE. M. DE SOUZA GURDES well-known B. A. N. D. S. Black Label with 3 grapes @ \$18 7 case of 1 dozen Quarts. Black Label with 2 grapes @ \$10 7 case of 1 dozen Quarts. White Label @ \$13 7 case of 1 doz. Quarts. Apply to F. J. Y. JORGE, at Messrs RUSSELL & Co.'s. Hongkong, May 5, 1881. je8

FOR SALE. JULES MUMME & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE. Quarts.....\$18 per doz. Case. Pints.....\$17 per doz. Case. GIBBY LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, February 2, 1880.

FOR SALE OR TO BE LET. THE desirable BUNGALOW, known as "CROOKER," at Victoria Gas, on Farm Lot 67. For Particulars, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, May 20, 1881.

For Sale.

KELLY & WALSH

HAVE JUST RECEIVED SULLIVAN'S "PIRATES OF PENZANCE."

Boulger's "China," Vol. I. "Board of Trade Instructions for Surveyors of Ships."

Belbow's "Dictionnaire de Poucha." Movable Anatomical ATLAS. Richardson on "Indicator."

Donaldson's "Rough Sketching for Engineers."

Miss Bird's "Japan," 2 Vols. Shook's "Steam Boat."

"The Loyal Roman," Japanese Illustrations. "Year Book Facts for 1881."

"Hongkong to Himalayas," by Clark. Rosenthal's "Muscles and Nerves."

Flood's "Laws of Shipping," new edition. Marshall's "Short Studies."

Marshall's "Through America." Brewer's "Reader's Hand-book." Matheson's "Aid Book to Engineering Enterprise."

—Hongkong, May 7, 1881.

LETTER WRITERS. CHEAP NOTE PAPER AND ENVELOPES.

Froude's "English in Ireland." Mallah's "Proverbs of the World."

Ainslie's "New Marine and Engineering Guides." Allen's "Engineer's Guide."

Burgess's "Engineer's Guide." Ross's "Corea."

Keith Johnston's "Map of World," on roller.

New MENU and NAME CARDS. New SOAP BOOKS.

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TO LET. No. 2, Old Bailey Street. And, No. 3, Seymour Terrace.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, April 23, 1881.

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Intimations.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB. THE Yearly General Meeting of the MEMBERS of the above Club will take place at the Club House on TUESDAY, the 31st Instant, at 5.30 p.m.

B. M. BLENNERHASSETT, Hon. Sec., V.R.C. Hongkong, May 17, 1881. my31

TENDERS will be RECEIVED at the NAVAL YARD up to TUESDAY, the 31st, at Noon, instead of 21st Instant, as previously notified, for the CONSTRUCTION of a TANK and FILTER at the ROYAL NAVAL HOSPITAL, according to Plans and Specifications to be seen at the Office of the Undersigned.

WILLIAM HYNES, For Naval Storekeeper. Hongkong Yard, 16th May, 1881. my31

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SHAREHOLDERS in the above Office are requested to Furnish the Under-signed with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December 1880, in order that the DISTRIBUTION of the PROFITS Reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 1st June next will be adjusted by the Officers, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, April 19, 1881. je2

THE "F.A.B. EAST." THE Issues of 1878 WANTED. Apply at this Office. Hongkong, October 4, 1880.

Intimations.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY. IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1876, the Undersigned, Banks of Public Business on TUESDAY, the 24th Instant.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," GEO. SCOTT, Manager.

For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China," JOHN THURBURN, Manager.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China," WILLIAM FORREST, Manager.

For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris," M. BLUM, Agent.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation," T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. Hongkong, May 21, 1881. my24

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION. NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

IN Accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND to POLICY-HOLDERS for the Twelve Months ending 31st December 1880, of TWENTY-TWO PER CENT. on the NET PREMIUM Contributed, PAYABLE at the Office of the Undersigned, on and after the 16th Instant.

Policy-holders are requested to send in Particulars of their Contributions. By Order of the Directors, RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 4, 1881. je4

WANTED. A PORTUGUESE BOOKKEEPER for one of the COAST PORTS.

Answers, stating qualifications, giving references and Salary expected, to be addressed at once to "A. B. C.," care of this Office. Hongkong, May 7, 1881.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES. SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS. FROM LONDON, SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

THE Steamship *Radnorshire*, DAVIES, Commander, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that the Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned at Wanchai, whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 a.m. To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 26th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 19, 1881. my26

NOTICE. OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship *GAELIC*, from San Francisco, &c., are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Steamer will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

C. H. HASWELL, Jn., Agent. Hongkong, May 19, 1881. my26

NOTICE. FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Ecambia*, Captain WILCOX, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Steamer will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, to destination, unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 p.m. To-day, the 16th Inst. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 26th Instant, or they will not be recognized.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 16, 1881. my26

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship *INDIA*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 10 a.m. To-morrow, requesting it to be landed here.

Goods remaining unclaimed after FRIDAY, the 27th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, May 20, 1881. my27

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE. THE Steamship *Glenfinlas* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day, the 20th May.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 27th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, May 20, 1881. my27

FROM HAMBURG AND SINGAPORE. THE S. S. *Europa*, Captain SCHURZ, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 26th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SIEMSEN & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 21, 1881. my28

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. THE GERM. BARK "FERDINAND," FROM HAMBURG.

THE above-named Vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 21, 1881. my29

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES OF CARGO PER BRIT. STR. "HIMALAYA."

ALL the Cargo by the above Steamer, not taken delivery of from board, has been landed and stored, at Consignees' risk and expense, in Messrs MELWILL & Co.'s Godown.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. No Claims will be admitted after SATURDAY, 21st Inst.

VOGEL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 18, 1881.

Shipping.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCCHOW. The Steamship "Kwangtung," Captain YOUNG, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 24th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAK & Co. Hongkong, May 20, 1881. my24

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Co.'s Steamship "Mendana," Captain J. NICO, will be despatched on or about the 24th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, May 16, 1881.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY. The Spanish Steamer "Ensay," Captain BLANCO, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY Next, the 25th Inst., at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, May 21, 1881. my26

FOR MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY, VIA FOCCHOW. The Steamship "Galley of Lorne," Captain BRANTWATTE, will load here for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 21, 1881.

FOR FOCCHOW. The Steamship "Kilmory," will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 27th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to AH YON & Co. Hongkong, May 18, 1881. my27

FOR VICTORIA (VANCOUVER'S ISLAND). The German Steamship "Quincy," Captain THOMAS, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Passage, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, May 18, 1881.

Shipping.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Co.'s Steamship "Achille," Capt. C. ANDREWS, will be despatched on or about the 28th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, May 19, 1881.

Sailing Vessels. FOR NEW YORK. The 3/5 L.L.I. German Bark "Hansa," M. SCHINDLER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co. Hongkong, May 20, 1881.

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FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the
PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, May 14, 1881. my26

**MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.**

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE
AND INLAND SEA.

THE S.S. NITAGATA MARU, Capt.
WYNN, due here on or about the
23rd inst., will be despatched as above
on THURSDAY, the 26th May, at
6 p.m.
Cargo received on board and Parcels at the
Office up to 4 p.m. of day of sailing.
No Bill of Lading signed under \$2
Freight.
All Claims must be settled on board
before delivery is taken, otherwise they
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RATES OF PASSAGE.
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A Reduction is made on RETURN CABIN
PASSENGERS.
CARGO AND PASSENGERS for Nagasaki
will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail
Steamer at Kobe.
For further Particulars, apply at the
Company's OFFICES, PRAYA CENTRAL, West
Corner Pottinger Street.

H. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent.
Hongkong, May 17, 1881. my26

**Occidental & Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.**

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS
TO JAPAN, THE UNITED
STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH
AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

THE S.S. GAZELLE will be despatched
for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on MONDAY, 30th May, 1881, at 3 p.m.
Connection being made at Yokohama
with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan
ports.
Cargo will be received on board until
4 p.m. of the 29th May.
All Parcel Packages should be marked to
address in full; and same will be received
at the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. of the
day previous to sailing.
A Reduction of 25 % made on all
Return Passage Orders.
Consular Invoices to accompany Over-
land, Mexican, Central and South American
Cargo, should be sent to the Company's
Offices addressed to the Collector of Cu-
stoms, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency or INSURANCE
Company, No. 60A, Queen's Road Central.
CHAS. H. HASWELL, Jr.,
Agent.
Hongkong, May 17, 1881. my30

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMATTIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES.

Also,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 2nd day of June,
1881, at Noon, the Company's S.S.
P. H. O. Commandant, PASADENA,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.
Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for the Company's S.S.
P. H. O. Commandant, PASADENA, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon.
Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the
1st of June, 1881. (Parcels are not
to be sent on board; they must be left at
the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.
For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, May 20, 1881. my26

Insurances.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are now prepared to
grant Policies against FIRE on First
Class Godowns at ½ per cent. nett per
annum.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 9, 1881. my30

**THE MAN ON INSURANCE COM-
PANY, LIMITED.**

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

CAPITAL, FULLY SUBSCRIBED, \$1,000,000.

Board of Directors.
KOH MOON WAH, Esq., Chairman.
BAN HUP, Esq. LEONG ON, Esq.
K. YIN KAI, Esq. CHONG FENG, Esq.
QUAN HOI CHUNE, Esq.
KWOK YIN KAI, Esq., Manager.
WOO LIN YUEN, Esq., Assistant Secretary.

THE Company grants Policies on
MARINE RISKS to all parts of the
World, payable at any of its AGENTS.
Contributory Dividends are payable to
all Contributors of Business, whether they
are Shareholders or not.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, Queen's Road West,
Hongkong, March 14, 1881. my30

LE CEROLE—TRANSPORTS.

SOCIETE ANONYME D'ASSURANCES
MARITIMES, MARSEILLE.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED, 15,000,000 FRANCES.
CAPITAL PAID-UP, 3,750,000 "

THE Undersigned having been appointed
AGENTS of the above Company, are
prepared to grant Policies on MARINE
RISKS to all parts of the World.

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, Sept. 25, 1880. 27see81

**CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY
(LIMITED).**

NOTICE.

POLICIES GRANTED at current rates
on MARINE RISKS to all parts of
the World. In accordance with the
Company's Articles of Association, Two-thirds
of the Profits are distributed annually to
Contributors, whether Shareholders or not,
in proportion to the net amount of Premium
contributed by each, the remaining third
being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEY SMITH,
Secretary.
Hongkong, April 6, 1881. my30

**YANGTSE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION.**

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....\$1,420,000.00
PERMANENT RESERVE.....\$1,250,000.00
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....\$1,250,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL AND AC-
CUMULATIONS, 2nd
April, 1881.....\$3,920,000.00

Directors.
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
W. M. BOYD, Esq. W. M. MEYER, Esq.
J. H. PINKOVSKY, F. D. HITCH, Esq.
Esq.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
Messrs RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH:
Messrs BARRING BROTHERS & Co.,
Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent,
88 and 89, Cornhill.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all
parts of the World.
Subject to a Charge of 12 % for Interest
on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS
of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are an-
nually distributed among all Contributors
of Business in proportion to the Premium
paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 20, 1881. 10c81

**PRUSSIAN NATIONAL INSURANCE
COMPANY, OF STETTIN.**

THE Undersigned having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to Grant Insurances against FIRE
at Current Rates.

MEYER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 10, 1881. 10my82

NOTICE.

**THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

Is prepared to accept FIRST-CLASS RISKS at
½ per cent. Annuit, and other INSURANCES
at Proportionate Rates.

Shareholders are reminded that the Directors
have the power of distributing a certain
proportion of the ascertained profits annually
among such Shareholders as have contrib-
uted business to the Company.

AGENTS at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon,
Penang, and Manila.

A. G. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

NOTICE.

**QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY.**

THE Undersigned AGENTS for the above
Company are prepared to accept Risks
on First Class Godowns at ½ per cent. nett
premium per annum.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

**THAMES AND MERSEY MARINE
INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

HEAD OFFICE—1, Royal Exchange
BUILDINGS, LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
AGENTS in HONGKONG and CHINA for
the above Company are prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at Current Rates, allow-
ing usual Discounts.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 3, 1881.

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL,.....£2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared to
grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at Current
RATES on First Class Godowns
Reduced to ½ per cent. premium per annum
from this date.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

**LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.**

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.
If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—
Marine Department.

Policies at current rates, payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

TAUNTON, British ship, Capt. J. Harney,
Stemmen & Co.

ST. VINCENT, British barque, Capt. Robt.
Thompson, Melchers & Co.

PRYMONT, German barque, Captain
Schneider, Arnold, Karberg & Co.

GALLERY OF LORE, British steamer, Capt.
J. Branthwaite, Russell & Co.

SOLIMOR, French barque, Captain L.
Roulier, Carlowitz & Co.

OXFORDSHIRE, British steamer, Captain
C. P. Jones, Russell & Co.

XENIA, American barque, Captain N. E.
Reynolds, Order.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

The Steamship
"Nemo,"
Capt. Westoby, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on FRIDAY, the 27th inst., at
Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, May 23, 1881. my27

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have been instructed
by the COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF OR-
DNANCE, China, to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 30th day of May, 1881, at 11 a.m., at
Her Majesty's Ordnance Stores, Queen's
Road East,—

The following
GOVERNMENT STORES:—
BLANKETS, CANNAS, CORDAGE, RUSS,
SERGE, CAST AND WROUGHT IRON, LEATHERS,
COTTON, LINEN AND WOOLLEN ARTICLES,
WATERPROOF SUITING, SIZES, KIDDER, TIN,
ZINC, OIL FILLS, CASES, PATENT CASES,
EMERY CEMENT BARRELS, and MISCELLANEOUS
ARTICLES.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in
Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All
faults and errors of description at Pur-
chaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.
All Lots to be cleared within 48 hours.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, May 23, 1881. my30

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "NITAGATA MARU" FROM
KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
Vessel are hereby requested to send
in their Bills of Lading for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery of their
Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge or remain-
ing on board after TUESDAY, the 24th
inst., will be landed and stored at Con-
signee's expense and risk.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.

MITSU BISHI MAIL S. S. Co.,
Praya Central, West corner Pottinger St.
Hongkong, May 23, 1881. my30

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
May 22, Cleland, British steamer, 769,
N. Harvey, Keelung May 19, Coal.
JARDINE, MATTHEWS & Co.
May 22, Pender, British steamer, 652,
J. G. Smith, May 16, Rice.—Jas. R.
GRAVENS & Co.

ARRIVALS.

May 22, Rono, Spanish steamer, 240,
Remigio Larranjo, Manila, Ballast.—Vogel
& Co.

May 22, Pernambuco, British steamer,
643, Hyde, Saigon May 18, Rice.—MEL-
CHERS & Co.

May 22, Hwai Yuen, Chinese steamer,
384, Wilson, Shanghai May 18, General.—
C. M. S. N. Co.

May 22, Amoy, British steamer, 814,
C. H. Drewes, Shanghai May 18, General.—
STERN & Co.

May 22, Hollow, British steamer, from
Canton.

May 23, Chen-to, Chinese gunboat, from
Canton.

May 23, Yothung, British steamer, 286,
Goggin, Quai-gai May 19, Sugar.—Kwok
Aizoon & Son.

May 23, Achilles, British steamer, 1528,
C. Anderson, Nagasaki May 18, Coal.—
General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

May 23, Sunda, British steamer, 1020,
J. Reeves, Yokohama May 15, de Nagas-
aki, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

May 23, Ling Feng, Chinese gunboat,
from Canton.

May 23, Peng-chow-lai, Chinese gunboat,
from Cheongchow.

May 23, Nona, German steamer, 619, N.
Wolff, Saigon May 19, Rice.—EDWARD
SCHULZE & Co.

May 23, Xenia, American barque, 1174,
N. E. Reynolds, Cardiff Nov. 18, Coal.—
ORDER.

May 23, Tamega, Portuguese gunboat,
from Macao.

DEPARTURES.

May 22, Albany, for Swatow, etc.
22, Horsburgh, for Swatow, etc.
22, Adelaide, for Saigon.

22, Loke, for Newchwang.
22, Tung Ting, for Hoihow, etc.
22, Oswald, for Chefoo.

22, Amoy, for Canton.
22, Hwai Yuen, for Canton.
22, Naples, for Yokohama and San
Francisco.

22, Inouyoshi, for Shanghai.
22, Valga, for Yokohama.
22, Hoihow, for Swatow and Shanghai.

22, Nordstjern, for Shanghai.
22, Conquest, for Hoihow, etc.
22, Malacca, for Hongkong.

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The near approach to a termination of the present Opium Farmer's lease of the monopoly for the sale of prepared Opium in this Colony must be an object of some anxiety to the Head of the Executive. Altogether the circumstances connected with the existing monopoly, both as to its award and subsequent conduct, have not tended to forward the interests of the Colony. It does not necessarily follow that, because the leading opium manipulators and capitalists fall out amongst themselves, the interests of the Colony must suffer. The result might prove to be the reverse. But it would seem that opposition elsewhere started by the two great rival parties—one in Penang by the Chap Sing, and the other by members of the Yan Wo at Macao—may serve as levers to depress the Hongkong Farm to a lower rate than that which was formerly procurable. We learn that Mr See-sau-ki and several members of the Yan Wo have just purchased the rights of boiling and preparing Opium in Macao for a period of ten years, at an annual rental of \$245,000. So that it is not unreasonable to assume that a struggle of some kind is being prepared for. The same parties have bought ground and godowns on the Praya at Macao, formerly a portion of the Custom House there, for the sum of \$500,000. As yet we understand the Ban Ho section have no share in these transactions, although the purchasers of the Macao privilege are now partners with Ban Ho. This opium business, besides being apparently the result of much evil, is productive of an immense amount of intrigue, into the inner recesses of most of which the light seldom enters. As a source of public income the Opium Monopoly is essentially pernicious.

Under date of Ningpo, May 15, and over the signature of the Rev. J. C. Hoare, the following letter appears in the *North-China Daily News*:

Some time ago a statement appeared in one of your contemporaries, to the effect that the Church Missionary Society was involved in trouble with the officials at this port, on account of some papers or machines erected in the neighbourhood of their property. It was also asserted that the man who sold the land occupied by the C.M.S. had been imprisoned in consequence. I did not at the time think the matter of sufficient importance to call for any contradiction on my part, but I have since seen the statement copied into other papers and periodicals. I hope you will allow me to make use of your columns to correct any false impressions that may have arisen. It is true that we felt it necessary to protest against the erection of a power station in the immediate neighbourhood of our Mission property, but the officials received our protest with great courtesy, and acceded to the request, made through the Consul, that the works should be removed to a safe distance. As to the report that any one has been imprisoned for selling land to the Mission, it is entirely without foundation.

Messrs Cook and Son's first attempt to introduce cheap excursions into India was made on Good Friday, when an excursion train was run over the G. I. P. Railway to Poona. The result was not encouraging, very few tickets being taken. It will take a little time to accustom the natives to excursion travelling; but there is no reason why such "trips" should not be made to pay. The desire to get everything at as cheap a rate as possible is quite as fully developed in the mind of the Hindu or the so-called Mussulman as in the Lancashire mill operative, though their love of change and their notion of enjoying a holiday may not be quite the same. A good line for Messrs Cook and Co. to commence operations on would be to organise excursions in connection with the annual pilgrimages to some of the sacred shrines, for instance, Shrinagar, in Palitana, which is now approachable by the Kattywar railway. It may be interesting to mention that the numbers of passengers booked by Messrs Cook and Son's Good Friday excursion train to Poona was as follows:—One first-class passenger, seven second-class passengers, and eighty-four third-class passengers: total eightier-six. The rate of speed allowed by the Railway Company was only twelve miles an hour. On another occasion it would be advisable to allow the train to travel faster. We believe Messrs Cook are not, on the whole, dissatisfied with the result of the experiment.—*Bombay Gazette.*

The increasing trade between America and the East induced the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation to open a special agency in New York last year, and with the growing importance of this trade the move, no doubt, has proved a welcome one to many of our readers. From the last reports of the Bank, a copy of which we have just received, we have pleasure in noticing the highly satisfactory condition of its affairs. The dividend, which the previous half year was increased from £1 to £1.50, is now again increased to £1.10 per share. The deposits, which last issue stood at \$17,000,000, and at \$24,000,000, and the reserve fund has been raised from \$1,000,000 to \$1,800,000. These figures, together with the fact that the quotation for the shares in China by last advices was 85% premium, speak for themselves. At the general meeting of shareholders it was proposed and carried that a bonus of 10% on the salary for the year be presented to every member of the staff of the corporation. The above statements show that this corporation, with its large reserve fund, dividends well earned and a satisfactory showing, is in a position of the highest credit and deserves the confidence of the business community.—*New York Shipping Register.*

It has happened to come to my notice that the pest of mosquitoes can be kept quiet during the night by a simple remedy, and this has been so great a relief to me that I am moved to let you know of it. I have been troubled with them for some time. Take a spoonful of the French Insect Powder (which can be bought in bottles, or more cheaply by the pound, of any druggist), heap it on a piece of broken flower-pot or the blower of your grate, and light the top of it with a match. It should not show, but will annihilate all the whole lot of them. The smoke is not irritating at all to the lungs, but throws the mosquitoes into a peaceful slumber. If they should awake and seek their prey towards morning, a second dose is easily touched off if left by the bedside over night. Where invalids or children are kept awake and tortured by these small pests, it is a mercy to use this remedy. When one has been bitten, I suppose everybody knows that a drop of strong ammonia cures the irritation. A. B. C. in the San Francisco Bulletin.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ending May 22nd.—			
	European.	Chinese.	
Monday, May 15th,	38	376	
Tuesday, " 17th,	17	294	
Wednesday, " 18th,	26	396	
Thursday, " 19th,	13	416	
Friday, " 20th,	43	487	
Saturday, " 21st,	17	322	
Sunday, " 22nd,	Sunday.		
Totals,	157	2,201	
Grand total, 1,448.			

LAND AND PROPERTY SALES IN HONG KONG.

As we have frequently and from time to time endeavoured to inform our readers of sales of landed property in this Colony, we now publish a list of lots which have changed hands more or less recently. The list is as complete as it can at present be made, and we shall add to it as occasion arises. It may be added, as a sign of the times, that much of the capital now being invested in property here is from China, and it is generally believed that some of the higher native officials are not above laying out a few dollars in the permanent and safe island of "Fragrant Streams."

PROPERTIES BOUGHT BY CHINESE.			
Lot 647—2 European houses, Al-	bay-road, " "	\$ 30,100	
Lot 622—1 European house, " "	" "	" "	
Lot 619—Gibb's office, godowns, &c.,	" "	12,000	
Lot 618—21 houses, Queen's-road	East, " "	7,000	
Lot 47—7 shops and godowns,	Queen's-road East, " "	30,000	
Lot 801 A—12 shops, Battery-road	West, " "	25,000	
Lot 62—26 shops, Queen's-road,	Praya, and Endicott-lane, " "	95,000	
Lot 202—52 shops, Queen's-road,	Praya, Winglok-street, and Jervois-	850,000	
street, " "	" "	" "	
This block was resold separately for	about, " "	500,000	
Lot 4—28 shops, Bonham-strand	and Praya, " "	76,000	
Lot 63—22 shops, Queen's-road	and Praya, " "	105,000	
Lot 61—11 shops, Praya, Winglok-	street, and Jervois-street, " "	103,000	
Lot 62 and 194—2 European	houses, Hollywood-road, " "	35,000	
Lot 64—17 shops, known as	Gibb's office, " "	250,000	
Lot 67—7 shops, Queen's-road	and Bonham-strand, " "	320,000	
Lot 764—4 shops, Queen's-road	West, " "	16,000	
Lot 88—14 shops, Queen's-road	East, " "	20,000	
Lot 61—11 shops and godowns,	Queen's-road East, " "	35,000	
Lot 617—1 godown, Queen's-road	East, " "	7,000	
Lot 650—4 houses, Queen's-road	East, " "	10,150	
Lot 105—11 houses, Gage-street,	and Praya, " "	43,000	
Lot 71—8 shops, Queen's-road	West, " "	34,500	
Lot 44 and 148—15 shops, Queen's-	road West and First-street, " "	95,000	
Lot 632—12 shops, First-street,	" "	14,500	
Lot 138—Oriental flat buildings,	Queen's-road East, " "	33,300	
Lot 30—26 houses, Hollywood-road,	and Praya, " "	66,000	
Lot 62—8 houses, Wellington-street	and Praya, " "	29,000	
Lot 57 sec—14 shops, Queen's-road	East, " "	79,000	
Lot 37 sec—4 shops, Praya West,	and Praya, " "	54,500	
Lot 88 sec—5 shops, Bonham-strand,	and Praya, " "	46,000	
Lot 639—22 houses, Second-street,	and Praya, " "	18,000	
Lot 119 sec—5 shops, Wellington-	street, " "	20,000	
Lot 207 sec—10 shops, Lyndhurst-	street, " "	32,000	
Lot 47—Houses and godowns, Queen's-	road East, " "	67,000	
Lot 101—11 houses, Bridges-street,	and Praya, " "	13,000	
Lot 402—8 newly-built houses, Bridges-	street, " "	16,000	
Lot 157—12 houses, Bridges-street,	and Praya, " "	49,500	
Lot 1 and 121 sec—15 shops, Lynd-	hurst-street (sold at auction), " "	74,000	
Lot 104 and 109—5 houses, Lynd-	hurst-street and Hollywood-road, to	50,000	
Lot 14—39 shops, Queen's-road	Praya, and Pottinger-street, " "	275,000	
Lot 10 and 12—Houses and godowns	known as Turner's office, Queen's-	275,000	
Lot 60 and 100—2 houses, Praya	Central, known as Lammer's and	168,400	
Lot 65—Blue Buildings, Queen's-	road East and Praya East, " "	110,000	
[This lot was sold for \$100,000 and	resold the next day with \$10,000	profit.]	
8 Lots containing 16 shops, Praya,	Winglok-street, " "	180,000	
Lot 641—10 houses, Praya, " "	" "	12,250	
Properties sold by Foreigners to Chinese.			

PROPERTIES BOUGHT BY FOREIGNERS.			
"Glenally," Gibb's residence, Calis-	road, " "	50,000	
"Deard's" residence, Calis-road,	" "	28,000	
"Deard's" old residence, Calis-road,	" "	14,500	
Lot 1 and 121 sec—15 shops, Lynd-	hurst-street (sold at auction), " "	74,000	
Lot 104 and 109—5 houses, Lynd-	hurst-street and Hollywood-road, to	50,000	
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Properties sold by Foreigners to Chinese.			

SALES ON AND AFTER 5TH MAY, 1881.			
Lot 32—10 shops in Queen's-road	West and First-street sold for,	\$ 29,000	
Lot 9 and 85—18 small houses in	Queen's-road East, " "	15,000	
Lot 777—4 houses in Queen's-road	East, " "	5,000	
Lot 767—6 houses in Queen's-road	East, " "	6,000	
Lot 297—8 houses in Queen's-road	East, " "	4,000	
Lot 78—42 shops in Queen's-road	East, " "	29,000	
Lot 78 A—large stone godown in	Queen's-road East, " "	18,500	
Lot 298—1 European house in	Queen's-road Central, occupied by	55,000	
Messrs Noble and Co., " "	" "	" "	
Lot 17 A—1 European house in	Queen's-road Central next to the Hong-	41,000	
kong Dispensary, " "	" "	" "	
Lot 169—40 houses and shops (in-	cluding the Derby Press office) in Wing-	124,000	
lok-street and Jervois-street, " "	" "	" "	
Lot 105 sec—1 shop in Bonham-	strand, " "	38,000	
Lot 61—14 shops in Praya, Wing-	lok-street and Jervois-street, " "	198,000	
Lot 168—4 stone godowns in Praya	West, " "	30,000	
Lot 801 B—12 houses in Battery-	road, " "	6,000	
Lot 61—French Co.'s Office and god-	owns in Praya Central, " "	68,000	
Lot 66—Blue houses and godowns	Queen's-road East and Praya East,	146,000	
General sales in Chinese Town.			
Bought by Chinese.			

Police Intelligence.

(Before H. E. Widdows, Esq., Police Magistrate.)

Monday, May 23.

HAWKING FRESH FISH.

Two Chinamen were fined the first defendant \$2 or three days imprisonment, and the second 50 cents or one day in jail.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Lau Aman was fined \$10, or one month's imprisonment for being in unlawful possession of an iron bed the property of the Government.

TRESPASS.

Three Chinamen were charged with trespassing on Crown Land, and fined—the first \$10 or 7 days with hard labour, and the second and third \$5 or three days' imprisonment.

GAMBLING.

Kwok A-nang was sentenced to be exposed in the stocks for 5 hours for street gambling.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Five Chinamen were charged with being in unlawful possession of two bags of rice and were sentenced—the first and second prisoners to 4 months, with hard labour; and the third, fourth, and fifth, 3 months' hard labour.

ASSAULT.

Three Chinamen charged with assault were ordered the first defendant to enter into recognisance of \$50, with two sureties of \$25 to keep the peace for 3 months in default to be committed; the second in the same sum to keep the peace for 6 months; and the third in the sum of \$10 to keep the peace for one month.

THEFT.

A sentence of one month's imprisonment with hard labour, for stealing 2 slates valued at 80 cents, was passed upon a Chinaman.

THEFT.

Chan Ayan, remanded from Saturday, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment with hard labour for stealing 14 slates valued at 80 cents, was passed upon a Chinaman.

THEFT.

A large number of trifling cases were before the Court; and a number of cases were remanded.

(Before the Hon. M. S. Tennyson.)

FLYING BY NITE WITHOUT A LICENSE.

Ching Ahn and Chan Kim Song were fined \$2 each for flying for hire without a license, in default 7 days' imprisonment.

STREET GAMBLING.

Li Ahn was sentenced to imprisonment for 3 months with hard labour for the above offence.

ASSAULT.

Fong Ahn was fined \$1 or exposure for 6 hours at the same place for assaulting a jiriksha man.

THEFT.

Puk Ahn was charged with stealing two European jackets from Chan Kan Ping. He was convicted on evidence and sentenced to six months' imprisonment with hard labour.

Marine Court of Inquiry.

Monday, May 23.

INQUIRY INTO THE STRANDING OF THE "HAILONG."

An inquiry into the stranding of this steamer was held in the Harbour Master's Office this forenoon, before H. E. Widdows, Esq. (President), Lieut. T. R. Thomas, M.C., Capt. O'Neill, Captain Elles, and Mr. Edward Burnie.

Captain Hunter, master of the *Hailong*, deposed:—I am a master of the mercantile marine. My ship stranded on the 2nd of April. I was bound for Amoy. When we left there was a moderate north-west wind, and the weather was clear. My ship was a three-masted steamer and the crew were Chinese and Malays. We passed through Formosa channel about 3 p.m. We were going about 10 knots by log and by patent log much about the same. At 9 p.m. I left orders with the chief mate to let me know if there was any change in the weather. There was a light breeze—just enough to make the sails draw. The fore and main trysails were set. There was a moon but it was overcast. At ten minutes past two the second mate reported the weather becoming hazy. I went down the bridge and found the fog had closed in. I could see about a couple of miles. I remained on the bridge for a short time. I was of opinion that I was about 16 miles off Chapel Island light. It should have borne about west north-west. 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THE CHINA REVIEW.

THE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries on China and Japan*, has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

The *CHINA REVIEW*, or *Notes and Queries on the Far East*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$5.00 postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago and the Far East generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number. Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a resume in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as are also those queries which, though asking for information, furnish new or unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1876, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review. It is a sixty-page, bi-monthly, repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is a work worth the price of the Review. Address: *China Review, Hongkong—Northern Christian Advocate Co.*

Frederic's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the *China Review*:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries on China and Japan*, the extinction of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom of high degree of Chinese scholarship is now arduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the *Review* by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *She King*, by the Rev. B. J. Eitel, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connection with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese postman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctiliousness and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended, to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine.

The *China Review* is now issued every day. The subscription is fixed at *Five Dollars* per annum delivered in Hongkong, or *Seven Dollars Fifty Cents* including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese Newspaper ever issued under native direction. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native community, amongst whom also are to be found the guarantors and securities necessary to place it on a business and legal footing.

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We have instituted as an experiment a Visitors' COLUMN, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful. To it will be relegated from time to time such items of information, lists, tables and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with we have opened a SELECT HOTEL AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY, applications for enrolment into which we are now ready to receive.

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Post Cards, 8 cents each.

Registration, 10 cents.

Newspapers, 5 cents each.

Books, Patterns and Comm. Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Hawaiian Kingdom.

Letters, 10

Registration, None.

Newspapers, 25

Books & Patterns, 50

West Indies (Non Union), Bolivia, Costa Rica, Guatemala, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay.

Letters, 30

Registration, None.

Newspapers, 50

Books & Patterns, 5

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2; Via Galle, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension, via Aden, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 5.

* A small extra charge is made on delivery.

† There is Registration to British W. India Islands, 10 cents.

‡ Registration to San Francisco, 10 cents.

§ Cannot be sent via San Francisco.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, in either direction, under 100 lbs. weight, (through a British Agent, viz. Hongkong, Canton, or Macao), &c., and the Philippines (Cebu), &c.

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LOCAL DELIVERY.

1. All correspondence posted before 5 p.m. on any week day for addresses in Victoria will be delivered the same day, and generally within two hours, unless the delivery should be retarded by the Contract Mails.

2. Invitations, &c., can generally be delivered within Victoria at the private houses of the addressees rather than at places of business, if a wish to that effect be expressed by the sender, otherwise all correspondence is invariably delivered at the nearest place of business.

3. Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of China and Japan, may deliver them to the Post Office unattended, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed if the nature of the contents be not exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

5. Patterns.—The public is reminded that there is no such thing as a Pattern Post to Europe, &c. Much trouble and disappointment are caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Curious Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by *PARCELS*. No return can be made on such parcels of the value of *STAMPS* obliterated before the nature of the contents are discovered.

6. Made out on a printed form which is supplied gratis.

7. A dollar rate for drawing on the United Kingdom is in force at Shanghai.

Local Parcel Post.

1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post between any of the Post Offices in China or Japan, as well as to Macao, Pak-hoi, Singapore, Penang, and Malacca. They must not exceed the following dimensions, 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, nor weigh more than 5 lbs. The postage is 20 cents per lb., which includes Registration except to Japan, to which country parcels are forwarded at Book Rates. Registry being optional. The parcels may be wholly closed if they bear this special endorsement, *PARCEL*, containing no return, but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General.

2. The following cannot be transmitted: Parcels insufficiently packed or secured, or liable to be crushed (as handboxes, &c.), Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyes, Ices, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

3. Parcels will as a general rule be forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail Packet. The Post Office reserves the right of selecting the opportunity for transmission, and of delaying delivery in case the number of parcels is such as to retard other correspondence. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, but the system of Registration, as to the contents, is a very remote probability of loss.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

It is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage to Europe, &c., unless it is a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—

Books and Papers—British Office, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs.

Patterns—British Office, 5 lbs. If without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Letter.

The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration require.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being initially forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any person in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, hand-some bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

Money Order Regulations.

1. Money Orders are exchanged with the United Kingdom, New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, and Port Darwin, the Straits Settlements, Western Australia, and (except at Shanghai) with the Japanese Empire. Hongkong also issues orders on Shanghai, and vice versa.

2. Small sums may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage Stamps, subject to a charge of one per cent. for cashing them.

3. Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in this way. An application for an order is filled up, and enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest issuing office. The application must be accompanied with the full amount (including commission) in cheque, postage stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations of exchange. The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it were to be registered, as it always should be. There are about 80 Money Order Offices close about the time the Money Order Offices close some hours before the departure of the mails.

4. No order must exceed \$10, or \$50, or include any fraction of a penny, nor will more than two such orders be issued to the same person, in favour of the same payee, by the same mail. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day, and paid at the rate of the day when the order arrives.

The commission is as follows:—

Orders on the United Kingdom.

Up to \$25, 30

" \$25 to \$50, 35

" \$50 to \$100, 40

" \$100 to \$250, 45

" \$250 to \$500, 50

" \$500 to \$1,000, 55

" \$1,000 to \$2,500, 60

" \$2,500 to \$5,000, 65

" \$5,000 to \$10,000, 70

" \$10,000 to \$25,000, 75

" \$25,000 to \$50,000, 80

" \$50,000 to \$100,000, 85

" \$100,000 to \$250,000, 90

" \$250,000 to \$500,000, 95

" \$500,000 to \$1,000,000, 100

" \$1,000,000 to \$2,500,000, 105

" \$2,500,000 to \$5,000,000, 110

" \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000, 115